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TO: Ambassador Albright

THRU: Ambassador Gnehm

FROM: POL - Cameron R. Hume

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SUBJECT: Your Meeting with Mario Goethals, Coordinator in Rwanda  
of Medecins Sans Frontieres  
Friday, November 4, 10:00 a.m., President's Office

Goethals asked to see you in your capacity as President of the Council. We understand he wishes to discuss the situation in Rwanda and the Rwandan refugee camps in Zaire. MSF is increasingly concerned by the violence in the camps, which threatens their ability to work.

The Council expects to receive a report from the SYG towards the middle of the month outlining a number of options for addressing the problem of worsening security in the Zaire camps. The Council is concerned about the security situation in Zaire and will deliberate on the options at that time.

TALKING POINTS

- o I admire your humanitarian work. You have many people on the ground working in close contact with the victims of the upheaval in Rwanda.
- o The Council shares your concern about the situation in Rwanda and will continue to review possible roles for the UN.
- o The Council expects to receive a report from the SYG towards the middle of the month on the problem of worsening security in the Zaire camps.
- o We would be very interested in the conclusions you draw from your experience working in those camps.
- o We expect the resolution establishing an international tribunal to prosecute those accused of committing genocide to come up for a vote in the Council next week.

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